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For: **ARTICLES WITH ELECTROPLATED ZINC-NICKEL TERNARY AND HIGHER  
ALLOYS, ELECTROPLATING BATHS, PROCESSES AND SYSTEMS FOR  
ELECTROPLATING SUCH ALLOYS**

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 19 DECEMBER 2006**

**VIA EFS  
M/S Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

The present Reply is submitted as a complete response to the Office action mailed 19 December 2006, for which a one month time for response was provided. Accordingly, the present Reply is timely filed without extension of time. Kindly enter the present Reply, and please reconsider the restriction and election of species requirements set forth in the Office action.